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Dr. Joshua Lederberg President The Rockefeller University New York, New York 10021

Dear Dr. Lederberg:

Thank you for your inquiry concerning the coal gasification study. I am enclosing a procedings publication of this work which provides experimental detail. The ability to conduct such a study results from cooperation between analytical chemists who perfected the organic extraction and fractionation techniques and the biologists. We are preparing a short paper for Science or Nature, but not in any shape to send you at present. We find the same situation, i.e., "latent" mutagenicity in fractions of extracted organics from ambient air particulate. This data will be presented at the EMS meetings, 1980. Please contact me if you have any further questions.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Alan R. Kolber, Ph.D.

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Enclosures: Meeting Program, abstract